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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown, Chief Section of Administration Office of Proceedings Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, D. C. 20423 Office of Proceedings

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Re:

STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 322X), Norfolk Southern Railway

Company - Abandonment in Polk County, Iowa

Dear Ms. Brown:

Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR) consents to the Board's issuance of a 180-day extension (from May 16, 2011) of the trail use negotiation period that has been requested by the City of Grimes in a letter to the Board filed May 2, 2011.

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours very truly,

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cc: Mayor Thomas Armstrong
City of Grimes